

Weekly Update: 10th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

# Dates for your diary

13<sup>th</sup>- 17<sup>th</sup> March Science Week

Tuesday 14th March 5.00pm Year 2 Parent Information Session Key Stage 1 SATs (In

person and On-Line)

Thursday 16th March 9.00am PFSA Coffee Morning led by Victoria Gould in school hall

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March PTA Pop up Shop - Mother's day

Week beginning 20th March Assessment Week

Thursday 23rd March Maigold Class Trip to Axe Valley Wildlife Park

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March PTA Bingo Village Hall

Monday 27th & Tuesday 28th March Clive Pig Storyteller Workshops (Gifted by PTA)

Monday 27th March 4.30pm Information Session - Behaviour Management Techniques

with Family Solutions Somerset at HEA starting at 4:30pm National Child Measurement Programme for R & Year 6 pupils

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March
National Child Measurement Programme
Year 6 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 29th March Year 6 Parents' Evening

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March** Inter-House Eggstavaganza Sports Competition

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 9.15am Easter Service at St Andrew's Church

PTA Easter Children's Raffle/PTA Easter Treats Sale

3<sup>rd</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> April Easter holiday. PTA Village Easter Trail

Monday 17th April INSET training day- school closed

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April Volunteer day in school to tidy up the grounds

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>/Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April Parents' Evenings (Years R-5)

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April Pippin Class Trip to The Octagon Theatre
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April No Outsiders workshop for all classes

Thursday 27th April PTA Meeting @ The Firehouse- All welcome

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May Bank Holiday

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Coronation at St Andrew's Church followed by teas at school

Monday 8th May

Additional Bank Holiday: Coronation of King Charles III

Tuesday 9th May

Year 6 SATs week begins

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May Camelot Class Trip to Magdalene Farm

Tuesday 23rd May Healthy eating workshop for all classes, and after school

workshop for parents

29<sup>th</sup> May- 2<sup>nd</sup> June Half term Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June PTA Disco

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June Gala Class Trip to Vivary Park

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June Discovery Class Trip to Magdalene Farm

27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> June Year 6 Blenheim residential

Headteacher: Mrs Ali Pook



### New Bars

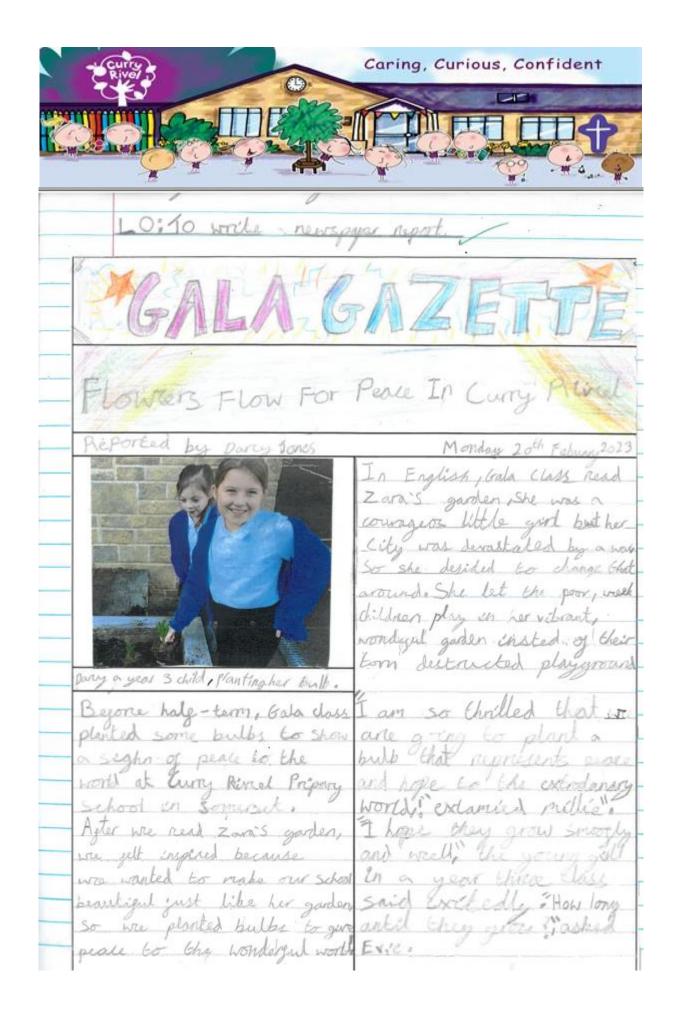
The school has funded a new set of roll bars for the bark area- these will be ready for use from next week. This project was in response to School Council feedback on how to improve our playtimes.

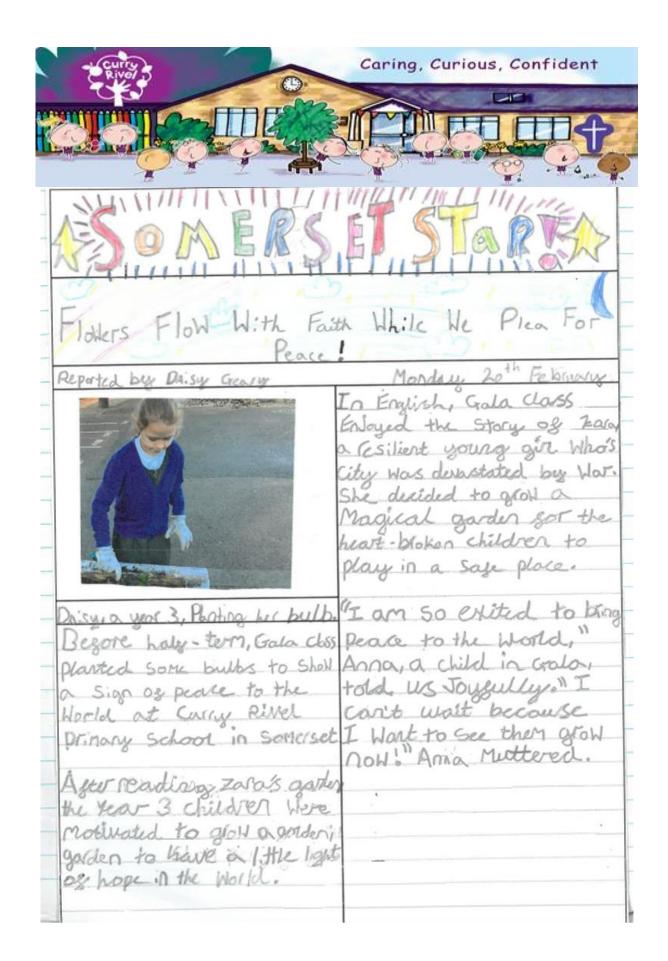
### Lockdown

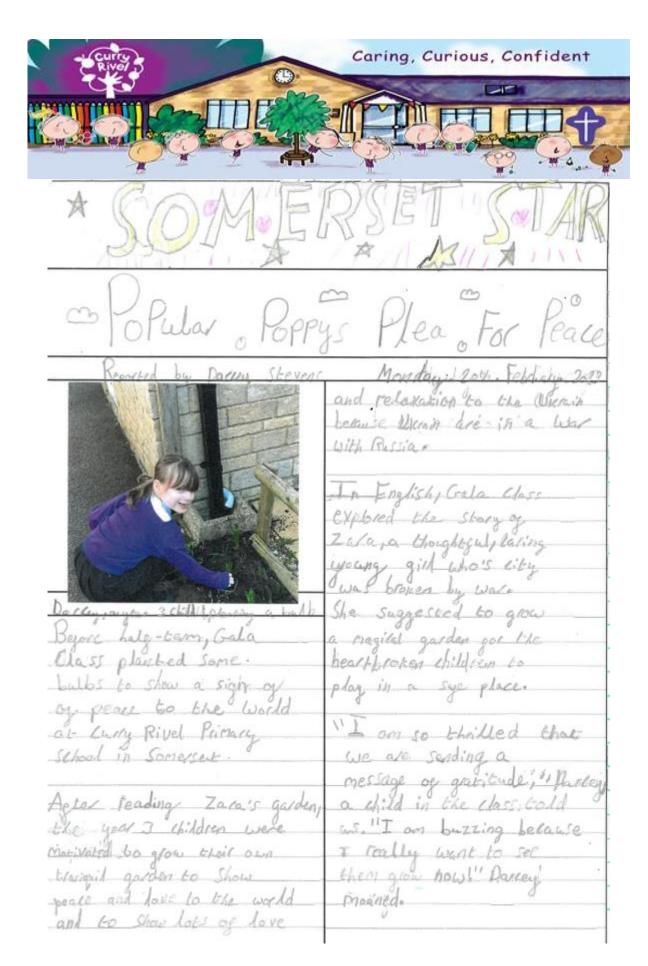
Every school and nursery should consider the need for robust and tested lock down procedures. Lock down procedures should be seen as a sensible and proportionate response to any external or internal incident which has the potential to pose a threat to the safety of staff and pupils in the school. Procedures should aim to minimise disruption to the learning environment whilst ensuring the safety of all pupils and staff. We will be practising a 'lockdown' next week with the children, with a 'Goose on the Loose' scenario to avoid anxiety and worry. The main aim will be to ensure that all children and staff know what to do if there was a 'goose on the loose'.

## Celebrating Writing in Gala

Darcy J, Darcey S and Daisy have written amazing newspaper reports in Gala class. They were inspired after reading 'The Last Garden' in their English unit, a story about a brave young girl growing a safe place for children during a war. Following the arrival of a Ukrainian classmate, they wanted to grow their own mini garden in the school to send a message of peace and hope to the school community and the world. Please see their writing below:







# Pop Up Shop: Mothers' Day - 17th March (in school)

We have been gathering some lovely items for our pop up shop including some beautiful jewellery. We are very conscious of money being tight at the moment so we have keep all our prices £1.50 or under with some items at a bargain rate of 50p for another year. Kids will be able to buy up to 3 items each.  $\frac{1}{Mrs} \frac{1}{Ris} \frac{1}{Ris}$ 



We are also aware families may not have physical cash in their homes therefore we would like to trial offering PTA Bux for pop shops. They can be purchased on CRPTA.co.uk in the shop area. We will deliver the Bux to each class prior to the shop so we will need these purchased no later than Thursday 16th March. If you have more than one child please do separate transactions for each of them. PTA Bux are non-refundable but can be used for any in school PTA event though out the year.

We have been speaking to Miss Tucker and Mrs van Cole about including some keen Year 5 and 6 children to support us with the money calculations for our events. If your child is keen to be involved in this pop up shop please ask them to speak with their teacher.



### PTA Family Bingo - Saturday 25th March

I hope you have seen the posters which have been popping up in the village and on Facebook. If you can please share the details with your friends and family. Thank you to those who have brought in unwanted items we have so many fantastic prizes. We also have a family ticket for Curry Rivel Live which is back in the village on 22nd July. Please book your seat and bingo books at CRPTA.co.uk. More books, raffle tickets, snacks, drinks and cake available on the night for either cash or card.





Drayton Woods, Law Lane, Drayton, Langport, TA10 OLB (Registered charity: Central Somerset Outdoor Learning Partnership)

gracefulbadgerforestschool@gmail.com

Educational fun in the woodland with freedom to play and make new friends; try bushcraft, natural arts and crafts, discover wildlife also campfire cooking, games and stories.



After-School Club for 5-8 year-olds: Wednesdays in term time: drop-off 4.15pm - 6.00pm Campfire tea and drinks £12.00/session, booked in half terms (places are limited).

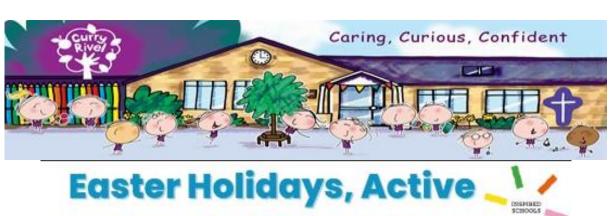
# Easter Holiday Inclusive Forest Family Days

All abilities welcome

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 11.00am-3.00pm. £15.00/child/session, siblings £12/session, parent/carer and under-twos free (places are limited). Campfire food included.

Led by qualified Forest School leader, DBS checked, first aid and child protection trained, experienced educational workers. Get in touch to find out more.

We're on Facebook: Graceful Badger Forest School







A group for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers with parents/carers. Messy play, singing, bubbles, instruments, story time, refreshments

£3.00 per family - no booking needed, just turn up!



@ The Old School Room, Curry Rivel (behind St Andrew's Church)

For more information, please contact Debs on O7799 423 884 or debs@curryrivel-childminder.co.uk

### SEND News

Please find out the latest news in regard to children with special needs and disabilities here:

https://beta.somerset.gov.uk/news/

### Lates

We are aiming to reduce the number of pupils who arrive late. Unfortunately, there has been a significant increase this week:

Headteacher:



Class	Number of lates last week	Number of lates this week
Pippin	2	1
Maigold	1	5
Gala	1	2
Discovery	1	5
Camelot	4	6
Blenheim	1	1
TOTAL	10	20

Please remember that being late can lead to your child:

- · Feeling embarrassed in front of their friends
- · Missing the beginning of vital lessons making them fall behind
- · Missing important instructions for the rest of the school day
- · Learning bad habits which could affect their employability in the future

The impact of being just a little late can accumulate to a loss of learning time.

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days worth of teaching lost in a year
5 mins	3.4 days
10 mins	6.9 days
15 mins	10.3 days
20 mins	13.8 days
30 mins	20.7 days

# Celebration

We were able to welcome parents/carers to our celebration assembly today. Well done to the following pupils:

Class Cup	Awards	Lunchtime	stars

Pippin: Phoebe
Maigold: Oscar
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Gala: Lilly-May
Discovery: Brooke-Bailey
Camelot: Joseph
Blenheim: Yusef
Pippin: Oscar
Maigold: Bobbie
Gala: Paige
Discovery: Alfie
Camelot: Harriet
Blenheim: Ethan



## 50 Merits

Pippin: Elisha Gala: Lizzie

### 100 merits

Discovery: James, Mia-Rose, Brooke-Bailey, Noah, Toby H, Paige, Toby W, Barney, Billy

Camelot: Casper, Mia, Holly,

Blenheim: Katie,

Achievements outside of school

Martial arts yellow belt: Eli M (Maigold)

Overall attendance this week: Blenheim 99.2% (Target 96%)

Most improved attendance: Blenheim

Well-being tip for the week

Keep it simple. Each day have a positive routine. Think of three things you are grateful for. Look after yourself. Love others.

I hope you have a restful weekend.

Ali Pook

Head Teacher